

1999 HONEY SUMMARY

Honey production in West Virginia totaled 234,000 pounds during 1999, down 29 percent from 1998. The total number of colonies producing honey was 6,000, unchanged from the previous year. The yield per colony averaged 39 pounds, 16 pounds below 1998. The average price per pound for honey was \$1.09, down \$0.05 from the 1998 price. The value of production totaled \$255,000, down \$121,000 from 1998.

HONEY: Number of Colonies, Production, Value and Stocks, 1993-1999 ^{1/}

Year	Producing Colonies	Production		Average Price Per Pound	Value	Stocks ^{2/}
		Per Colony	Total			
	(000)	Pounds	(000) Pounds	Dollars	(000) Dollars	(000) Pounds
1993	20	37	740	1.11	821	259
1994	20	44	880	1.18	1,038	414
1995	13	41	533	1.18	629	48
1996	10	59	590	1.59	938	207
1997	8	70	560	1.11	622	280
1998	6	55	330	1.14	376	155
1999	6	39	234	1.09	255	152

^{1/} For producers with 5 or more colonies. ^{2/} Stocks held by producers as of December 15. Does not include stocks under loan.

1999 TROUT PRODUCTION

The 24 commercial trout producers in West Virginia had a total value of sales (Foodsize, Stocker, Fingerling) of \$695,000 for the 12 month period from January 1, 1999, through December 31, 1999. This was a 5 percent increase from the \$663,000 in sales during the same period a year ago. Growers sold a total of 401,000 pounds of trout during this period. Foodsize trout accounted for 99% of total pounds sold, while stockers accounted for 1% and fingerlings less than 1%. Trout losses for the period totaled 76,000 pounds.

Number of foodsize trout sold during January 1, 1999 through December 31, 1999 totaled 372,000 fish, up 52,000 fish from 1998. Pounds sold totaled 395,000 pounds. The value of sales for the 1999 marketing year was \$679,000, up \$31,000 from 1998. The average value per pound for Foodsize fish was \$1.72 per pound, down \$0.07 from 1998.

TROUT: Number, Weight and Value of Foodsize Sales (12" or longer in length)

Year	Number Sold	Pounds Sold ^{1/}	Value of Sales	Avg. Value Per Pound
	(000)	(000)	(000) Dollars	Dollars
1997	303	276	513	1.86
1998	320*	362*	648*	1.79*
1999	372	395	679	1.72

TROUT: Number, Weight and Value of Stocker Sales (6"-12" in length)

Year	Number Sold	Pounds Sold ^{1/}	Value of Sales	Avg. Value Per Pound
	(000)	(000)	(000) Dollars	Dollars
1997	52	31	63	2.03
1998	15*	6*	10*	1.63*
1999	12	4	8	2.05

TROUT: Number, Weight and Value of Fingerling Sales (1"- 6" in length)

Year	Number Sold	Pounds Sold ^{1/}	Value of Sales	Avg. Value Per 1,000
	(000)	(000)	(000) Dollars	Dollars
1997	79	5	12	240.00
1998	18*	1*	5*	279.00*
1999	42	2	8	200.00

^{1/} Pounds sold liveweight. * Revised.